

What Happens in Cancun Stays in Cancun? Not really...



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Project Summary	What happens in Cancun does NOT stay in Cancun! We are looking for interns to track and analyze violent crime. Your research, analysis and mapping of crime in Cancun, Mexico and surrounding areas of the Yucatan peninsula will help shape security policy and contribute to Interagency reporting.
Country	Mexico
Agency	Department of State
DoS Office	N/A
Post	MERIDA
Section	RSO
Number of Interns	4

Project Description

Using open source news reports, official press releases, social media postings, blogs, and other developed media sources, a team of interns will use their Spanish language, research, analytical, technical, collaborative and organizational skills to develop a multi-layered final product that combines chronological and crime type lists/spreadsheets, narrative summaries and analysis of crime and crime reporting trends, and mapping with geographic link analysis.

The period of analysis will be retroactive to September 2016 through the end of the Virtual Internship, so there will be a combination of researching previous events to build the final product and real time monitoring and reporting on events as they take place. A basic weekly wrap up of significant current events will be part of the project as well.

Desired Skills Interests

Additional Information

Please volunteer for this project if you have one or more of the suggested skills, or an interest in at least one facet of the project. For example, an experienced map-designer or link-analyst will not necessarily need to be fluent in Spanish in order to participate in this internship. Depending on the number of interns who participate, specific tasks will be assigned to individuals. The final depth and scope of the project will be determined once the number of interns, and their areas of expertise/preference are known.

Interns who display adeptness at reporting on the crime and related phenomena may be asked to draft correspondence, info-graphics, etc. for a more senior, DC-based Interagency audience.

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Language Requirements

Language Speaking Proficiency		Reading Proficiency	Importance
Spanish	Minimum professional proficiency	Full professional proficiency	Required